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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2287

Introduced by Assembly Member Monning

February 18, 2010

An act to add Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 127640) to Part 2 of Division 107 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2287, as amended, Monning. California Health and Human Services Agency: public health: federal grant opportunities.

Existing federal law, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (~~PPACA~~)(Public (*PPACA*) (*Public* Law 111-148) requires the federal Secretary of Health and Human Services to award competitive community transformation grants to state and local governmental agencies and community-based organizations for the implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of evidence-based community preventive health activities in order to reduce chronic disease rates, prevent the development of secondary conditions, address health disparities, and develop a stronger evidence base of effective prevention programming.

This bill would require the California Health and Human Services Agency to direct the appropriate departments within the agency to apply for federal community transformation grants under the PPACA, as

specified. The bill would require the agency to direct the appropriate departments within the agency to make information regarding federal grant opportunities under the PPACA available to local government agencies, local public health departments, school districts, state and local nonprofit organizations, and Indian tribes through existing channels, and by placing a link on each relevant department's existing Internet Web site.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares as follows:
2 (a) Given the significant fiscal challenges ahead for California,
3 it is important for the Legislature to ensure that state agencies
4 maximize their opportunity to obtain additional federal funds,
5 particularly in cases where doing so could offset state General
6 Fund costs or assist the state with the transformation of California's
7 health care system, under the federal Patient Protection and
8 Affordable Care Act—(~~PPACA~~)(Public (PPACA) (Public Law
9 111-148).
10 (b) *The PPACA is a historic opportunity for California to*
11 *prioritize preventive health programs that have been demonstrated*
12 *to save valuable health care dollars, produce high return in patient*
13 *outcomes, and move the current health care system away from*
14 *managing disease toward prevention in order to improve the health*
15 *of Californians.*
16 (~~b~~)
17 (c) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this act to take
18 full advantage of the opportunities through the PPACA to improve
19 state health care programs and invest in health prevention and
20 education, with the goal of building, promoting, and sustaining
21 healthy communities through reducing chronic disease rates,
22 eliminating conditions that lead to health disparities, and increasing
23 the cultural and linguistic appropriateness of health services.
24 (d) *It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage the California*
25 *Health and Human Services Agency and departments within the*
26 *agency to maintain flexibility in internal processes in order to be*
27 *responsive to PPACA grant opportunity timelines.*

1 SEC. 2. Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 127640) is added
2 to Part 2 of Division 107 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

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4 CHAPTER 5. COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANTS
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6 127640. (a) The California Health and Human Services Agency
7 shall direct the appropriate departments within the agency to apply
8 for federal grants under ~~Section~~ *Sections 4002 and 4201* of the
9 federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law
10 111-148) to allow the state to develop a stronger evidence base of
11 effective prevention programming and engage in preventive *care*
12 *and health education* activities that achieve, at a minimum, all of
13 the following:

14 (1) Creating healthier school environments, including, but not
15 limited to, ~~healthy~~ *healthful* food options and physical activity.

16 (2) Creating an infrastructure to support active living and access
17 to nutritious foods.

18 (3) Developing and promoting programs targeting a variety of
19 age levels to increase nutrition, physical activity, smoking
20 cessation, *mental health*, and safety, as well as address special
21 population needs.

22 (4) Working to highlight ~~healthy~~ *healthful* food options.

23 (5) Assessing and implementing worksite wellness programs.

24 (6) Prioritizing strategies to reduce racial and ethnic *health*
25 disparities.

26 (b) The agency shall direct the appropriate departments within
27 the agency to make information regarding federal grant
28 opportunities under ~~Section~~ *Sections 4002 and 4201* of the federal
29 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148)
30 available to local government agencies, local public health
31 departments, school districts, state and local nonprofit
32 organizations, and Indian tribes through existing channels, and by
33 placing a link on each relevant department's existing Internet Web
34 site.